

## House Resolution 849

By: Representatives Mangham of the 94<sup>th</sup>, Brooks of the 63<sup>rd</sup>, and Collins of the 95<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing March 30, 2009, as Africa Day at the Georgia State Capitol; and for other  
2 purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the continent of Africa is made up of 53 distinct countries; and

4 WHEREAS, there are now many current Georgia residents who were born in Africa or who  
5 have families from Africa, and the African community has contributed positively to the  
6 economic, social, and political well-being of the State of Georgia; and

7 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia and the members of the General Assembly appreciate the  
8 presence, productivity, and many contributions of those residents of African birth and  
9 lineage; and

10 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia acknowledges and welcomes the rich cultural tapestry of  
11 the peoples of Africa, recognizes the economic contributions and diversity of the African  
12 people, and seeks to build positive relationships with the countries and people of Africa; and

13 WHEREAS, members of the Coalition of Concerned Africans, Inc., have made a positive  
14 impact in the lives of Georgia's residents by organizing international health fairs, legal  
15 forums, and Saturday youth mentoring programs; and

16 WHEREAS, members of the Coalition of Concerned Africans, Inc., continue to encourage  
17 positive community involvement by organizing Africa Day at the Georgia State Capitol.

18 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
19 the members of this body recognize March 30, 2009, as Africa Day at the Georgia State  
20 Capitol in honor of the many cultural, political, economic, and social ties between Georgia  
21 and the nations and people of Africa.

22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
23 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Coalition of Concerned  
24 Africans, Inc.